GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3134
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CONSTRUCTION OF GODOWNS
M.V.V.S MURTHI

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Andhra Pradesh have requested the Union Government to releasethe entire allocated funds for construction of godowns for the year 2000-2001;

(b) if so, the details of the request made by the Andhra Pradesh Government;

(c) whether the said request has been acceded to; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor and the time by which a final decision on the request is likely to be taken?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI ASHOK PRADHAN)

(a),(b),(c)&(d): No, Sir. Financial assistance is provided to various States/UTs for strengthening of the Public Distribution System in the country under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme `Construction of Godowns` on receipt of proposals from the State Governments/UT Administrations and the approval of Standing Finance Committee constituted by the Department of Food and Public Distribution during a particular financial year. Government of Andhra Pradesh has requested for financial assistance of Rs. 360.00 lakhs for construction of 36 godowns with a total capacity of 18000 MTs during the financial year 2001-2002. The request of the State Government could not be considered since a detailed proposal was not submitted as per guidelines of the scheme.